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## USDA Begins Issuing Permits for the Importation of Fresh Pomegranates and Fresh Baby Kiwi from Chile

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is advising the public of its decision to begin issuing permits for the importation of fresh pomegranates and fresh baby kiwi from Chile into the continental United States. Based on the findings of pest risk analyses, which were made available to the public for review and comment through a previous notice, APHIS has determined that the application of one or more designated phytosanitary measures will be sufficient to mitigate the risk of introducing or disseminating plant pests into the continental United States.

This action is published in today's May 12 Federal Register and it becomes effective upon publication.

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